# THE BAR ASSOCIATION.

Important Proceedings-Report from the Committee on Extortions.

Excessive Overcharges in the Sheriff's, Register's and County Clerk's Offices.

Proposed Abolition of the Marine Court.

a meeting of the Bar Association of this city was held last evening at their rooms, in Twenty-seventh treet, for the purpose of considering a variety of matters in reference to proposed legal reform, and also a bill which has been drafted with a view to ation of the Marine Court and the establish ent in its place of the Mumcipal Court of the city

Mr. S. P. Nasa, in the absence of the Vice Presient, was called upon to preside.

The reading of the minutes was dispensed with. There was no report from the Executive Com-

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON EXTORTIONS. Mr. D. H. Olmstead said there was a report from ee on Extortions, which he would like to read. The report, which is written by Mr. Olm-stead, is in the following language:—
To the BAR ASSOCIATION OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK:—

To the Bar association of the City of New York:

The undersigned, to whom it was referred by this association to inquire into existing practices of illegal exactions in various public offices in this city, and to consider and report whether any, and, if any, what, measures can be taken to prevent the same, report as follows:

Your committee have met from time to time, and made sace investigations as were possible respecting the matters referred to them, containing their inquiries to the following offices, supposed to be particularly contemplated by the resolutions of reference to wit:—the Sheriff's, County Cierk's, Register's Surrogate's offices, and the offices of the Cierks of the various Courfs.

General fundings of that fees and charges not authorized by law, or in excess of those allowed by law, are, and for many years past have been, habitually charged and collected in the offices allowed by law, are, and for many fears past have been, habitually charged and collected in the offices allowed by law, are, and for many fears past have been, habitually charged and collected in the offices allowed by law, are, and for many fears past have been, habitually charged and collected in the offices allowed by law, are, and to many fears past have been, habitually charged and collected in the offices allowed by law, are, and that the lact of such excessive charges is notorious, and within the constant and almost daily experience of all the members of the legal profession, and that no report of your committee could add to the general knowledge of this association on that subject.

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Your committee hind this condition of things to be due to many causes, among which may be enumerated the numberless small charges allowed by law for the services of the officials and their clerks and deputies, and the great variety of statutes regulating these charges; the interpolation of provisions for less and perquisites in general and special laws, some of which would seem to have been designed by their promoters for the sole object of increasing official emoluments, without a corresponding public benefit; the obsolete character of many statutes, and the want of adaptation of others to the present practice; the frequent sanction of excessive charges by the Courles, and the censurable neglect of members of the legal profession in submitting to unauthorized charges without objection, the political carryption extant in this city which has heretofore prevented any redress in such matters and the possibility of electing by popular suffrage and for partisan purposes improper persons to these offices, which should be mised only by those qualified by their education, fitness and integrity to hold them.

SPECIFICATIONS.

Of course it is impossible, even were it desirable, for your committee to report all the cases of illegal charges which have come to their notice, but they propose to direct your attention to a few instances.

SHEALPP'S OFFICE.

Is the Sheriff's office, during the year 1371, 2,338 new causes were put upon the calendars of the Supreme, Superior and Common Pleas Courts in this city for trial, returning a revenue to tae Sheriff of \$1,166 per monta when Circuits were held for summoning jurors in those causes alone, without reference to his pay for summoning jurors in the market of the case, the law plantly never was intended to the preceding years. And massucin as it is two or three years before causes in the higher Courts are reached in their turn for

COUNTY CLERG'S OFFICE.

Numerous itens on real estate, comprising judgments, forfeited recognizances, notices of tis pendens, certificates of snertifs' and marshals' sales, unsolvent assignments, notices of foreclosure by advertisement, general assignments, orders appointing receivers, mechanics' and unsafe building hens are filled in the County Clerg's office, searches for which on the examination of titles are requisite, to the great gain of the clerk and to the great cost of the party requiring them. Of late it has been a rule in tims office to furnish a search to any one destring it, out of its order, on the payment of fifty per cent in addition to the legal lees, which would not be so objectionable as a mere business arrangement did it not relard other searches from being made in their regular order; the fact now being that it is impossible to procure the return of a search before the time fixed as the tumost limit of its return by law (ten days) without the payment of the extra fee. The law requiring a return within a specified time is intended wholly for the benefit of the public and not of the Clerk, but the Clerk construes it in his own favor by compelling those who are under the necessity of completing their contracts for the mortgage or purchase of real estate within a certain time either to pay the extra fee or be in default on their contracts, or transfer their titles without the search being made. These fees for searches afford a very large revenue to the Clerk, and he would be well paid for making them at the legal rates.

The County Clerk's charges for copying, certifying and filing papers, including copies of opinions and returns to the Court of Appeals and certificates of surrogate's decrees, are most invariably in excess of the legal rates.

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The Register's office the rees usually collected are allegal and excessive. In 1871 there were recorded in that office, by actual count, 13,649 deeds and 16,183 mortgages, including assignments of mortgages, and about 7,324 satisfactions of mortgages, and so powers of attorney, being a less number than in some previous years. The legal fee for recording a mortgage is set of the charge is \$2.50. The legal fee for recording a mortgage is about \$1.45; the charge is \$2.75. The legal fee for recording a satisfaction of mortgage is twenty-eight cents; the charge is \$2.75. The legal fee for recording a satisfaction of mortgage is the safe to conclude that the paper the overcharge is still greater. So that, making a fair allowance for the proportion of assignments of mortgages, it is safe to conclude that the vercharges on the instruments recorded in this office it any one year will average in the aggregate for searches, and searches done out of the troops of the safe than sect and seriously affect its marketable value. Person, 3 will not as treety purphase land, or ceal in it, whe at its safe to the safe to the safe that the sect and seriously affect its marketable value. Person, 3 will not as treety purphase land, or ceal in it, whe at it is safe to seriously affect its marketable value. Person, and the troops of the troops of the tro

to the county of about six hundred thousand dollars. There were printed of these indices 28,000 volumes of grantors, 24,000 of grantees, 25,000 of judgments, 8,000 of its peadens and 1,000 of sherriffs and marshals' sales—in all 86,000 volumes, which were stored at No. 30 Liberty street, at an expense of \$500 per annum, exclusive of the insurance and keeper's fees, where, with the exception of the few volumes solu, they have since remained, with little or no benefit to the public. About one-fourth of them are bound. Whether because the Clerk, Register and Surrogate were ex officio Commissioners, and interested in a measure in repressing the distribution of these indices of because the price put upon them has been too migh, certain it is that nearly all of them remain still stored where they were first placed and are not accessible to the public or profession, except at a cost of \$100 per set for the its pendens, \$5 per volume for the mack of sheriffs and marshals' sales, \$7 per volume for the set of fitty-two volumes of indices of conveyances, while the indices of judgments having now become of little or no value, except as waste paper, are sold at from \$20 to \$30 per entire set. It is presumed that the indices of conveyances will some day also be disposed of for waste paper, when we shall have such an improved system of recording and indexing as to render them valueless. When it is further considered that there is a castodian of these books, whose bill will some day any more bills contracted for these books, your committee think inemselves justified in suggesting that an act of the Legislature be at once passed providing for the sale of a large portion of them in single sets to the highest bidder.

Great compliants have been made in years past and with reason of the excessive fees and charges levied on all estates administered in the surrogate's office; and, while it is fair io say great improvements have been made in the conduct of this office under its present year, since the appointment of this committee, a

office; and, while it is fair to say great improvements have been made in the conduct of this office under its present administration, there is still room for reform.

During the present year, since the appointment of this committee, an estate was appraised in that office to \$366,756, the appraisement consisting of two written pages, and the bill rendered to one of your committee, who was proctor in the case, from the Surrogate's office, for such appraisement, amounted to \$745 10—being a fifth of one per cent of the appraised value of the property—and \$14 50 for other fees. Upon a note being sent to the Surrogate's office requesting the items of the charges, the proctor for the estate was informed that the bill was returned for the same service of \$368 50, or one-tenth of one per cent, accompanied by a letter stating that the bill was made out according to the custom of the office for the past fifteen years, and that in addition the appraisers usually charge \$10 for a copy of the appraisers usually charge \$10 for a copy of the appraisers usually charge \$10 for a copy of the appraisers usually charge \$10 for a copy of the appraisers usually charge \$10 for a copy of the surrogate understands is charged by appraisers under the statute (as a reasonable compensation), he has made an order that hereafter no appraiser shall, in cases of estates over twenty thousand dollars, charge more than one-twenticth of one per cent of the appraised value."

When it is considered that the appraisers are appointed by the Surrogate? 2R. S. 82), it cannot but be supposed that he has been cognizant of the charges heretolore made by the appraisers in his office and approved of them. Fifty dollars would be a liberal compensation for the spraisers in his office and approved of them. Fifty dollars would be a liberal compensation for the spraisers in almost any case. Their duties being without personal liability there is no theory upon which they should receive a percentage, while copies of inventories should be charged for by the folio at

estates, without the intervention of an attorney, and this office should, of all others, be without reproach.

Tax and assessment offices.

In the tax and assessment offices the books are so kept that none but experts or those familiar with them can make searches for unpid taxes and assessments and sales, and the charges for the same are excessive, there being a monopoly of the business by a lew persons, whose incomes are said to be quite large from this source. With the gentlemen who have built up this business, through many years service and attention, there is no cause of complaint, it being their own private business, for which they are emitted to charge what the public are willing to pay them. But all searches in these offices should be made without charpe by a salaried clerk especially appointed for the purpose; so that any one can at once, without expense to himself, be informed whether his property is subject to any taxes or assessments. The present usual charge for searches for taxes, assessments and sales on each lot of land is from \$7\$ to \$12.

Manusz and district courts.

The charges in the Marine and city District Courts, especially in the latter, are illegal and excessive, and bear beavily upon the poorer classes, A trial fee is always demanded in advance by these Courts, but rarely repaid although no trial takes place. Several collars are usually charged on issuing process on summary proceedings, contrary to law. The law requiring the summons in the District Courts to be served by a Marshal is unnecessary and should be repealed. There is no reason why an exception in the manner of the service of a summons should be made as to these Courts.

The Law on The Subject.

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There is a provision in the statutes that not judge, justice, sheriff or other officer whatsoever or other person to whom any fees or compensation shall be allowed by law for any service shall take or receive any other or greater fee or reward for such service but such as is or shall be allowed by the laws of this State." (2 R. S., 550, sec. 5.) By the seventh section of the same title a violation of this provision is declared a misdemeanor, and by the eighth section it is made the duty of every Court at which a Grand Jury shall be summoned to charge such jury specially to inquire into any violations of law by public officers in that oenalf.

Your committee, soon after their appointment, caused to be collated certain of the statutes regulating the fees and charges of the various officials, and submit the same with this report.

Your committee, after much deliberation, recommend the following measures as, in their opinion, best adapted to protect lawyers and the public from the abuses complained of:—

First—The preparation and adoption by the Legislature at once of a new fee bill for all the offices above named, making it uniform for the State, and the repeal at the same time of all existing statutes relating to the fees and perquisites of those othecs, with suitable provisions for enforcing conformity to such new fee bill.

Second—All said offices to be salaried, and, so far as practicable, fees abolished; but when fees are retained, they are to be as simal as the services will warrant, and in the more important offices be paid to a person speciality designated to receive them, give receipts therefor and pay them over into the public treasury. In this manner it will be soon found what offices are self-supporting and what reduction or increase of charges is proper.

Third—For the purpose of facilitating the transfer of titles to real estate and lessening the expenses thereof the following changes are to be made—1. The number and duration of liens on real estate to be made—1. The number and duration of liens on r

Mr. OLMSTEAD read portion of a letter from Mr. Edgar Ketchum, stating that he had it on authority that a late Register had received one year \$80,000

for his services.

Mr. Van Santvoord, one of the Committee on Ex-Mr. Van Santvoord, one of the Committee on Extortions, read a minority report, it being his own, in which he differed from some of the views expressed in the report as read by Mr. Oimstead. He took pleasure in commending the zeal evinced by the committee. He was led to believe that charges not allowed by law, but which seemen to be sanctioned by usage, were often made in public offices in this city—in the Sheriif's, Register's and County Clerk's offices. He referred to charges affecting attachments on personal property, and said the fees for seizures at a certain amount should not exceed a fixed sum.

15 was then moved and seconded that the reports be laid on the table for the present, and this motion was adopted,

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RESOLUTIONS.

On the motion of Mr. Oimstead the following resolutely and at all ever, its necessary to secure the saic transpassions of it lies a new system of recording and necking had better be devised at once. As before remarked, the flegister receives one-half the fees for searches and the searchers the other half. He fees for searches and the searchers the other half. He fees for searches and the searchers the other half. He fees from \$100.000 to \$100.000 per annum, which, added to his illegal fees for recording, amounts to from \$60,000 to \$70,000 per annum.

An act was passed by the Legislature in 1855. Laws of 1855, chapter 467), appointing four gentlement commissioners of records for the city and points of New York, "with finil powers to examine much the condition of the records, documents, maps and the condition of the records, documents, maps and indices in the conflicts of the citrs, register and surrogate snall be ex official commissioners in reference to their respective said cers, register and surrogate snall be ex official commissioners in reference to their respective of the preservation and convenient examinative of the same as the public may require; said cers, register and surrogate snall be ex official commissioners in reference to their respective of the preservation and convenient examinative of the same as the public may require; said cers, register and surrogate snall be ex official to the preservation and convenient examinative of the same as the public may require; said cers, register and surrogate snall be ex official to the preservation and convenient examinative of the same as the public may require; said cers, register and surrogate snall be ex official to the preservation and convenient examinative of the same as the public may require; said cers, register and surrogate snall be ex official to the preservation of the commissioners of the court should be accounted by the man the provided to the preservation of the court should be a clear and distinct universal and the state of the

The consideration of the bill which proposes to abolish the District Courts in this city was adjourned to the next meeting of the association.

The meeting broke up at a quarter past clever objects.

### THE MISSOURI BOND "RING."

The Inhabitants of Cass County, Missouri, Ordering the Arrest of County Court Judges and Others Selling Bonds Stated to Have Been Illegally Issued-Action of the St. Louis Chief of Police-Arrest of Several Venders.

Sr. Louis, March 4, 1872. An afleged case of fraud and theft in connection with the issue of county bonds has been in the hands of the police since Saturday, but much was known until late to-night.
appears that in 1857 Cass county, that in in aid of the Missouri Pacific Railroad. Only \$5,000 of these bonds were delivered, it being claimed that the railroad company failed to fulfil its agreement

LOCKED UP IN THE COUNTY TREASURER'S SAFE upon Pleasant Hill by the federal troops, when these then commanding this department, who, supposi

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After the war Cass county refused to acknowledge the legality of the bonds and virtually repudiated them. The railroad company, however, retained the bonds, and, with accrued interest for fourteen years, laid claim against Cass county for \$229,000. It has recently been determined that the claim of the railroad company is valid; and, it is alleged, a ring was formed embracing some members of the Cass County Court and several prominent citizens, by whom it was proposed the county should issue \$229,000 in bonds bearing sight per cent interest, payable in from fifteen to nineteen years, which should be given to the railroad company, and the original bonds be taken up. It is reported

THE PROPOSITION WAS STRONGLY OPPOSED by the cluzens of the county; but it is alleged the bonds were prepared and, during last week, approved by the Court, received the necessary signatures, and Friday night Judges Stevenson and Forsyth, of the County Court; James K. Cline, lawyer, of Harrisonville, and two or three other gentlemen took possession and then came to St. Louis. Telegrams were received by the Chief of Police of St. Louis from the Sheriff of Cass county, ordering the arrest of any and all parties offering the bonds for sale, stating that they had been fraudilently issued and stolen. Inquiries by the police this morning revealed the lact that several banks and bankers had been visited on Saturday. The few bonds found have been left at everal places. The parties having them were to call to-day to consult regarding their transfer or sale. About noon detectives entered the banking house of Bartholomew Lewis & Co., and arresed two men, who exhibited a document which, it is alleged, belonged to the county records, and is said to have been abstracted therefrom.

Express receipts were found

On the men, one for 129 bonds, which had been sent to Northrup, Chick & Co., New York. Another for thirty-five bonds, sent

Mo. The parties who have been arrested here are now

planation of the Bond Ring-One of the Prisoners Arrested Shoots Himself Through

Sheriff Bryant, of Cass county, arrived here this morning, and has been closeted with the police auof A. C. Hutchinson, who is also here in con-nection with the alleged frauds in that county, is in substance as follows:—The Missouri Pacific Railroad Company, after holding the original bonds for \$100,000 for several years from the time they were turned over to them by the military authorities, and finding the people of Cass county averse to paying them, waived claim and delivered them to the agent of Cass county, taking his receipt therefor. Subsequently the County Court made an order to destroy the bonds, which now stands on the county records; but it appears they were not destroyed, and a few months ago, it is alleged, a ring was formed in and

out of THE COUNTY COURT TO LEGALIZE THESE BONDS, in some way and sell them. This became known, and was strenuously opposed by the people, who regarded the whole thing as a barefaced fraud. in some way and seit them. This became known, and was strenuously opposed by the people, who regarded the whole thing as a barefaced fraud. New bonds were printed, however, to the amount of the original issue, with accrued interest at ten per cent; and last Fricay, after the adjournment of the regular session of the Court, and one of the Judges who was not in the ring had left for nome, the remaining Judges (Stevenson and Forsyth) reconvened the Court and approved the issue of the bonds, and Judge Stevenson, James Cline, Robert B. Higgins and Ladue and Nichols, who were arrested here, yesterlay took the bonds and immediately left town. Previous to reconvening the Court the Clerk was invited out, ostensioly on business, by two of the ring, but really to get him out of the way, and it was during his absence that the bonds were approved and the Court record signed by a young deputy cierk, who was persuaded to do so on repeated assurances that the action of the Court was legal and proper.

It is stated that these bonds are in favor of some land and trust company, whose exact name, however, is not known. It is also stated that they are in aid of the St. Louis and Santa Fé Raitroad.

Judge Stevenson is known to have come to Sedala, whence, it is beheved, he went West on the Missouri, Texas and Kansas Railroad. Cline was at Wyandotte last night, but cluded the officers and has probably gone West. J. D. Hine, another of the ring and cline's iaw partner, has also fied and it is supposed has gone to California.

TRAGIC END OF ONE OF THE RING.

R. B. Higgins was arrested last night and this forenoon shot himself through the heart with a Derrincer pistol and died instantly. Judge Forsyth did not fee, as stated in last night, but departed, and according to telegrams received has piedged himself to remain at nome, convene the Court, and, with Judge Copeland, resemd the act by which the bonds were approved.

All taese parties are men of standing and have families. Hine and Cline were prominent tawyers in Harrisonville, and Hi

## Additional Particulars

St. Louis, Mo., March 5, 1872. The statement already telegraphed concerning the Cass county, Mo., bonds affair, substantially agrees with the accounts published in the papers to-day; but it does not yet appear that any swindle tion of the bonds was intended. Whether the county judges and other parties concerned fled for fear of

judges and other parties concerned fled for fear of personal violence or whether they actually absconded with the bonds also remains to be seen. From the following despatch to the Democrat it would appear that the Judges apprehended personal violence. The despatch says:—"Considerable excitement prevails in Cass county on account of the issuance by the County Court, composed of Judges Stevenson and Forsyth, of \$229,000 in bonds, for the purpose of Junaing the debt of the county on account of her subscription to the capital stock of the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company and the interest which has accrued thereon."

The Harrisonville Democrat published an extra on Saturday relating the circumstances, accompanied by a handbill calling a public meeting at Pleasant Hill on Wednesday of all opposed to the fraud. This handbill is of an incendiary character, and appeals to the people to resist the payment of the bonds and to oust the present County Court, appoint a Committee of Seventy to defend the county and prosecute the offenders, &c.

Messrs, Ladue and Nichols, arrested here yesterday, insist that nothing criminal has been done, as will appear when all the circumstances of the case are made public.

## EUROPEAN MARKETS.

LONDON MONEY MARKET.—LONDON, March 5—4:20 P.
M.—Consols closed at 22% a 35 for both money and the account. United States for owenry bounds, 1902's, 923-2; 1860's, old, 803's, 1957's, 923-2; 1860's, old, 803's, 1957's, 923-2; 1860's, FARIS HOURSE.—PARIS, March 5. Rentes at 56f, 70c.
Liverpool. Cotton Market.—Liverpool, March 5—4:30 P.
M.—The cotton market closed strong. Middling uplands, 113'd, The sales of the day have been 23,000 bales, including 0,500 for speculation and export. The supermits of cotton from Bombay since the last report to the 4th inst. have been 34,000 bales.

TRADE IN MANCHESTER.—LIVERPOOL, March 5—4:30 P.
M.—The advices from Marchester are more favorable and cause activity in the market here.

LIVERPOOL BERADETCH'S MARKET.—LIVERPOOL, March 5—4:30 P. M.—The breadstuff market is heavy. Wheat 12s. per cental for California white, Hs. a 11s. 2d. for red Western spring, and 11s. 8d. a 11s. 9d. for red winter. The receipts of wheat for the past three days have been 11.000 quarters, including 8,000 American.

LIVERPOOL PRODUCE MARKET.—LIVERPOOL March 5—4:30 P. M.—Petroleum, 1034d. a 113-4d. per gallon.

Sugar quiet and weak. Exchange weak; on the United

ABOLITION OF COMPULSORY PILOTAGE. mportant Measure Touching the Navigation

of the James River. RICHMOND, Va., March 5, 1872. Both houses of the Legislature have passed a law abolishing compulsory pilotage in James River. This is a very important measure, and will greatly benefit the commerce of the port.

#### NAVAL ORDERS.

Washington, March 5, 1872. Commander Pythian is detached from the Pacific fleet, and is under preparatory orders for sea service. Lieutenant Commander B. P. Smith is detached from the Powhatan and placed on waiting orders. Lieutenant Commander Horace Elmer is detached from the Vandalia and ordered to the Ossipee.

### SHIPPING NEWS

Almanae for New York-This Day. Sun rises...... 6 27 | Moon rises..morn 4 56 Sun sets...... 5 57 | High water...eve 6 18

OCEAN STEAMERS.

DATES OF DEPARTURE FROM NEW YORK FOR THE Sails | Destination. |

### PORT OF NEW YORK, MARCH 5, 1872.

CLEARED.

Steamship Leo, Dearborn, Savannah-Murray, Ferris aship James Adger, Lockwood, Charleston-H R Morgan & Co.

Steamship Isaac Bell, Blakeman, City Point and Richmond—Old Dominion Steamship Co.

Steamship Wm P Clyde, Sout, Norfolk, City Point and Richmond—Washington & Co.

Steamship Nereus. & dearse, Boston—It F Dimock.

Ship Therese, Mudgett, Havre—Boyd & Hincken.

Ship Glad Tidings, Thompson, New Orleans—M H Brigham.

Bark Catharina (Swed), Audersen, Havre—Tetens & Bockmann.

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Bark Prindsesse Alexandra (Dan), Verdon, St Thomas and t Croix—Penision & Co.
Brig Waltham, Paxall, Port Johnson—Borland, Dearbors Lothair (Br), Flewelling, St John, NB-P I Nevius

ro. Schr Mary E Smith, Dole, Wilmington, Del-Evans, Bali & Steamer Delaware, Crocker, New Haven.

REPORTED BY THE HERALD STEAM YACHTS. Steamship City of Bristol (Br), Phillips, Liverpool Feb 20, tag Queenstown 21st, with mise and passengers, to John G Daie. Experienced strong westerly winds the entire passage. Feb 29, lat 41 5s, ion 50 20, passed a West Indin Co's steamer, bound E. Date. Experienced strong westerly winds the entire passage, belond E. by the 50 20, passed a West Indin Co's steamer, belond E. by the 50 20, passed a West Indin Co's steamer, belond E. by the 50 20, passed a West Indin Co's steamer, belonderate weather cast of the Banks; from thence strong westerly gales; 3d inst, lat 40 30, lon 69, passed steamship Allemannia, bence for Hamburg.

Steamship Cortes, Whitman, New Orleans, Feb 25, with mose and passengers, to H B Cromwell & Co.

Steamship Magnolia, Palmer, Savannah March 2, with mose and passengers, to H B Cromwell & Co.

Steamship Magnolia, Palmer, Savannah, with mose and passengers, to W B Garrison.

Steamship Huntsville, Crowell, Savannah, with mose and passengers, to H R Morgan & Co.

Bark Humboldt (NG), Schweichel, Whampon and Hong Mong Nov 13, with mose to Everett & Co. Had strong monsoons in the China Sea to lat 5 N, then light winds, with much rain; came through the Straits of Banka; in the Java Sea light winds and much rain; passed Anjier Nov 29, Cape of Good Hope Jan 1, and crossed the equator Jan 25, in ion 33 W; bad gne trades up to lat 20 N, then light winds so lat 30 N; from thence a continuation of NW and NE gales; has been within 200 miles of Sandy Hook for the last ten days, with heavy NW and NE gales; has been within 200 miles of Sandy Hook for the last ten days, with heavy NW and NE gales; has been within 200 miles of Sandy Hook for the last ten days, with heavy NW and NE gales; has been within 200 miles of Sandy Hook for the last ten days, with heavy NW and NE gales; carried away foretopmast head, and lost and split salis; been 10 days north of Hatteras. The N is anchored off the Highlands at 5 N.

bio Norwich, Hices, Salem for New York, with mase y, Ferris & Co. r Galatea, Nye, Providence for New York, with passengers. BOUND EAST.

The vessels reported last night as drifting from moorings brought up all right, and are now safely at anchorage under Hammond's.

The weather hereabouts for the past twenty-four hours has been the most intensely cold of the season. Icc forms rapidly in the river, notwithstanding it blows heavily from WKW.

## SAILED.

Steamships Leo, Savannah; James Adger, Charle P Ciyde, and Isaac Bell, Richmond.

Ice in large quantities has again-made its appearance in our rivers, and has, with the strong nor-wester which commenced Monday evening, packed itself on the Brooklyn and North River shores so as to cause quite serious delay in the trips of the ferryboats. The U Sfrighte Cunhandaigus, which was anchored in the North River, had her copper badly demand by the Lee The her Lee The her Lee The Lee Th was anchored in the North River, had her copper badly dam-aged by the ice. The brig Lochinvar, when towed out of the East River, was carried ashore on Governor's Island, but succeeded in getting off again, with the aid of several tugs, apparently uninjured. The steamships City of Bristol and Cortes were unable to get into their berths in consequence of the slip being blocked up.

Steamship Montgomery, 876 tons, of the Savannah line which returned Monday with rudder loose, is on the large sectional dock foot of Ruters street to resour.

which returned anonary with runder loose, is on the large sectional dock foot of Rutgers street to repair.

Bark Annie Kreil (NG), 417 tons, is on the sectional dock foot of Clinton street repairing sboe and patching metal. Steamboat C Vanderbilt, of the Troy line, which has for some time past been on the mammoth sectional dock at Ho-boken for extensive repairs to bottom, was lowered yester-day.

Schr D W Saunders, 126 tons, owned by Means Jonas Smith & Co, is on the People's dry dock foot of Gouverneur

Smith & Co, is on the People's dry dock foot of Gouverneur street calking bottom.

Steamer Chauncey Vibbard still remains on Dean's railway at Red Hook being extensively repaired.

Ship Caravan, 1451 tons, owned by Messrs Thos Dunham & Sons, is now at Messrs C & R Poillon's yard, Brooklyn, having been thoroughly rebuilt by them so as to class % Al in French Lloyds, or as good as new.

The bark Henry Buck, 655 tons, is also at their yard put ting in a new deck.

The ferryboat being built by them for the Brooklyn and New York Ferry Co is in guite an advanced state of con-

New York Ferry Co is in quite an advanced state of construction, and they now expect to launch her in about two

weeks.

In addition to the above they have on the stocks a fine-looking yacht for Mr Mahion Sands, and have just taken a contract to build two propellers for the Jopaness government—one about 200 and the other 250 tons. These propellers are to be used in the coasting trade of Japan, and have been ordered by the government as specimen vessels. They will doubtless prove satisfactory models for a merchant marine that will soon leave the time-honored junk a monopoly in the hands of the more conservative Chinese.

Marine Disasters.

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Sche Clara Belle (of Rockland), Amsbury, with a cargo of coal, from New York for Boston, went ashore at two of coals, from New York for Boston, went ashore at two o'clock morning of Sth inst, about three miles north of Highland Light, Cape Cod. The weather was intensely cold and the wind blowing a gale from the northwest. The officers and crew, seven men all told, altempted to reach the land, but only one man succeeded, and he was naif frozen before he gained the shore. The others, including Capt A and the mate, perished in the sea. The vessel is a total loss.

Brite Mystic, Hoepman, from Baltimore for Boston, with coal, foundered at sea at six o'clock on Sunday morning, free miles south of Cape Henry and twelve miles from land. The Mystic sailed from Baltimore 23d uit, and put into Hampton Roads, where she remained on account of bad weather until March I, when she went to sea and was caught in the storm of Saturday. At 1:30 o'clock Sunday morning, the

until March I, when she went to sea and was caught in the storm of Saturday. At 1:30 o'clock Sunday morning, the brig having her masts and jibboom carried away, and being in a sinking condition, Capt Hoepman, with his wife and crew, took to the small boat and remained near the brig till she went down at six o'clock. They then made for the land, but were picked up by the steamer James A Gary about two o'clock on Sunday atternoon. Nothing was saved from the wreck. The Mystic was owned by the captain and others, and was uninsured.

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STEAMSHIP YAZOO, at Philadelphia, from New Orleans and Havana, reports:—March 1 and 2, experienced a hurricore from SE, vectoria to SW, thence to NE, with a heavy core sea; at 1:50 PM discovered a waterlogged vessel one mile to leeward; bore down for her and haused to under her lee, stopping as close as was prudent to ascertain her name; found her to be a schooner of about 150 tons burden, the sea breaking clear over her, spars broken off, and hanging to the wreek by the rigging, sails attached thereto, all looking as if they had not been long in the water, her poop deck, separated from the hull, was floating aster n, being heid there by the main sheets, with two pair of square timber head bits uppermost, looking, at a short distance. like four men in a boat; rudder gone, stem stove in as though she had been run into; hull painted black; she is a danserous obstacle, lying directly in the trace of steamships bound norin and south; position of wreck when seen, lat 36 16, lou 13, 19 fathoms water.

BARK HOWLAND, Tucker, from New York for Boston, passed by Yineyard Haven on the 25th uit, and anchored on Nantucket Shoals the same night; on the hext day, during a right of the passed by Vineyard Haven on the 25th uit, and anchored on Nantucket Shoals the same night; on the hext day, during a right of the passed by Vineyard Haven on the 25th uit, and anchored on Nantucket Shoals the same night; on the hext day, during a right of the passed by Vineyard Haven on the 25th uit, and anchored on Nantucket Shoals the same night; on the hext day, during a right of the passed by Vineyard Haven on the 25th uit, and anchored on Nantucket Shoals the same night; on the hext day, during a right of the passed by Vineyard Haven on the 25th uit, and anchored on Nantucket Shoals the same night; on the hext day, during a right of the passed by Vineyard Haven on the 25th uit, and anchored on Nantucket Shoals the same night; on the hext day, during a right of the pa

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BARK MARY C FOX, hence Feb 27 for Portland, Me, sunk Monday morning last off Folleck Rip; crew saved by steamer Norwich, Captain Hines, from Salem, and brought to this port. The Captain reports, in blinding snow storm Saturd by night, the Spring reports in blinding snow storm Saturd by night, the Spring reports in the land a shifted the cargo of coal, which seems a heavy hirch and shifted the sea sweeping the decks and breaking the boats; crew worked all hight trying to trim the coal, but were unable to right her; at davisht of the 3d all hands at the pumps; at 8.4 M cut sway mainmast, which righted ship; got ship before the wind and headed for the land; at 3.20 PM, off Nauset, the steamer Norwich came alongside and soon took us in tow, some of the crew being badly frizen; fresh crew aupplied by steamer. As the steamer started ahead the bark nearly capsized; half full water and unmanagable; heavy sas narted hawer five times, but finally succeeded in getting on the shoals one mile from the Pollock Rip Lightship, where she struck bottom and came to anchor 2 AM Monday. The steamer sent more men abourd to work the pumps, and at 5 o'clock got the bark underway in tow for Vineyard Haven. At 7.50 signalled to the steamer that the hark was sinking. Captain rilnes sent a boat which took off the crew, and at the same time tried to get the bark in shoat water; but, the hawser parting at 7:45, the bark sunk in 4½ fathoms.

Buig Camo (Rr.), Corhett, from Wilmingston for Queenstown.

Schr Ida J (Br), Walah, from St John, NB, for Providence, in going out of Newport harbor AM 3d, collided with schr Hyne, Hall, from New York for Boston, also under weigh, going out of the harbor. The Ida J had mainmait broken off about 20 feet below the crostrees, broke main boom, fore gaff and fore mainmail and foresall. The H tore foresall and jbb, and proceeded, the Ida J coming to an anchor in the harbor. SCHR LITTLE KATE, a fishing vessel, belonging to Glouces ter, is ashore near Wood End, Cape Cod, and full of water ther crew were saved.

CIR HIAWATHA, Dixon, from Newcastle for Newbury-t, when off Nahant last Monday, the 28th uit, had heavy winds, which broke mainboom and spitt jibs, when was put before the wind and run into Frovincetown for

she was put before the wind and run into Provincesown for repairs.

Pillot Boat Jane, No I, was driven sabore Monday evening during the sudden squall on the Long Island store, near owl's Head, where she still hes.

SLOOT JOSEPH L MOTT, Mott, hence 5th inst for Chinco-league, at 8 AM, when off the Highlands, carried away her mast close to the deck.

SAVANNAH, March 5—All the vessels arriving report having experienced a terrific gale from the northeast on the 1st and 2d inst. The steamship Tonawands tolt her sails and her pilot house was carried away, and was hove to for or eight hours. The steamship Oriental, from Boston, lost her sails and was hove to for 6 hours off Cape Henry.

VINEYARD HAVEN, March 4—A heavy NB gale, with snow, commenced here at 12 M of the 2d, and blew very heavy until 12 o'clock PM, when the wind hauled to the north and moderated; the vessels in the harbor sustained no damage.

Magnolia, from Savannah, for favors.

We are indebted to Purser B H Ferguson, of the ste

Whalemen.

Arrived at Talcahuano Dec 28, bark Edward Everett,
White, NB, no oil since last report. Had shipped 575 bols ap
oil by bark oil the thicks, for New Bedford; would sail soon
to cruiser of Massatures, Osgo od, of NE, was at Talcahuano Jan 13;
would sail that day to cruise, and be at home in July.

Steamship Samaria, Billinge, from Boston for Liverpool, feb 28, lat 45, lon 47 15.
Steamship Palmyra, Browne, from Boston for Liverpool, March 3, lat 42.40, lon 65 68.
Ship Ire-shope, Ramsay, from Boston for Liverpool, March 2, lat 42.50, lon 55 47. iat 18 58, ion 23 11.

Bark Fonfrede, Labadic, from Bordeaux for New Orleans,
Feb 3, iat 44 15, ion 18 55.

Bark Nicoline (NG), from New York for Rio Janeiro, Feb
1, lat 27 40 N, ion 40 40 W.

Foreign Ports.

Antwerp, Feb 18—Arrived, Winifred, Johnson, Philadelphia; 19th, Wien Hohen Feide, Sondite, New York; Storkers, Erichsen, do; John Ban field, Davies, do; Garanna, Knowthur, New Orleans; Flor de Maria, Ursutia, Savannah; Richard, Lowery, Boston.

ANOY, Jan 4—Salled, bark Bentinck, New York.

BERST, March 5—Arrived, steamship St Laurent, Lemarie, New York for Havre.

HARCELONA, Feb 15—Arrived, Rafael Pomar, Vivet, Savannah; 18th, Mercedial, Fabregas, Charleston; Pensaliva, Walls, Savannah; Arauca, Mas, do; Josefi, Nicolau, do; Catalina, Singala, and Polar, Ilubera, do: Porvenia, Cabu, New Orleans; Urbana, Murall, Mobile; Manuel, Parcs, Charleston. New Oricans; Urbana, Murali, Mobile; Manuel, Parce, Charleston.

Sailed 16th, Pedro Piandolit, Montestruga, New Oricans;

Nuova Michell, Scotto, New York.

Burnos Ayres, Jan 14—Arrived, bark Ionic, Powers, San Nicolas (and sailed 17th for England).

Carbity, Feb 17—Cleared, Henry Peiham, New York;

Francis Cutting, New Oricans.

CROOKHAVEN, March 5, 5 PM—Passed by, steamship Aliantic Br, Perry, from New York for Liverpool.

Creu, Jan 6—in pest ships Cornuvia (Br), Wilson, and Southern Cross, Hughes, for New York, idg.

CALGUTA, Jan 25—in port ships Arethusa (Br), Lamont;

Cholula (Br), Cox; Cumeris (Br), Brown; British Monarch (Br), Rowe, and Weathersfield (Br), Keye, for New York, idg; Jeypore (Br), for do do; Importer, Avery; Alaska, Humphrey; Satara (Br), Thomas, and New Era, Rabson, for Boston; Tecumseb, Bennett, and Cicopatra, Doane, for Dnndee, do: Whiltier, Swap, and National Eagle, Jordan, from Liverpool, just arrived; bark Lizzie B, Spring, for New York, idg; and others reported later.

Sailed from Saugor Jan 22, ships Corile (Br), Sorrie, New York; 18th, Elizabeth Nicholson (Br), Webster, do, CALDERA, Feb 2—Arrived, ship Detroit, Kewton, Carciff CALDERA, Feb 2—Arrived, ship Detroit, Kewton, Carciff York: 20th, Elizabeth Nicholson Br., Webster. do, CALDERA, Feb 3-Arrived, ship Detroit, Kewton, Cardiff (would proceed to Callao, and load guano for Great Britain). DUBLIN, Feb 19-Arrived, Abraham, New York, FALMOUTH, Feb 19-Sailed, Mictor, Thorsen, New Orleans, GLASGOW, Feb 19-Sailed, Margarita C, Scarpati, New York, GREENOCE, Feb 20-Arrived, Chevalier, Stiriing, Pensa-GREENOCK, Feb 20. Arrived, Chevaner, Shring, Pensacola.

Sailed from Lamiash 18th, Alaska, McKay, New York,
HALIFAX, March 2.—Sailed, steamship Dacian (Br), Laird
(from New York), London.
Liverpool, March 5.—Arrived, bark Constancia, Anvrecoechea, Savannah.

Sailed 12th, Athena, Patien, New Orleans; 19th, Ottone,
Camocii, New York.

Ent out 19th, Wyoming (s), Whineray; China (s), Macaulay; Rosa B, Harbagelata, and Nettuno, Travega, for New
York: Esmeraida, Fox, San Francisso.
LONDON, Feb 29.—Arrived, Malacca, Sjobeck, Boston;
20th, Svalen, New York:
Cleared 20th, Constantine, Creevy, New York.
LEGHORN, Feb 13.—Arrived, Frank Marion, Duncan, New
York.

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LEGIORN, Feb 15-Arrived, Frank Marion, Duncan, New York.
MOVILLE, March 5-Arrived, steamship Prussian, Dutton, Portland for Liverpool and proceeded).
MESSINA, Feb 13-Arrived, Charles E Gibson, Thatcher, Marseilles; 18th, Susan Bergen, Davis, Genoa.
Sailed 14th, Dirigo, Coffin, New York; Fury, Loud, Philadelphia; 14th, Speadwell, Patten, New York; Mary E Libby, Libby, and Merchant, Taylor, New Oricans.
New York Thom, Feb 17-Cleared, Resource, New York; Mary E Libby, Libby, and Merchant, Taylor, New Oricans.
MANILA, Jan 6-in port ships Highlander, Foster; Belvedere, Crowell, and Anahuac, Spaulding, for New York; Mary E Ceylon, Woods, for Boston, do; Derby, Goff, for New York, Idg; Ceylon, Woods, for Boston, do; Derby, Goff, for New York, Idg; Ceylon, Woods, for Boston, do; Derby, Goff, for San Francisco, Cot, Clytic (Br.), Topgood, for New York, reng; Templar, Fessenden, for Cebu, to load for Liverpool; Pudsey Dawson (Br.), Cole, from Frobolingo for San Francisco, Cyterensyow, March 3-Arrived, steamship Egypt, Grogan, New York 197-in port ships John Clark, Ross, for San Hard, San Hardison, to all same day; Mary Emma, Patten, from Newcastle, St. bark Uranas (Nor), Berg, for Boston, idg.
SHIELDS, Feb 18-Sailed, Fearless (not Periess), New York: 19th, Capt Otto, do; Demetria, do.
Vioo, Feb S-Arrived, Joven Thomas, Goords, New York, New York.
American Ports.

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BOSTON, March 4—Arrived, sohrs Clara Rapkip, Falker, Wilmington, NC, for Kennebunk (put in for a harborn; J M Fitzpatrick, Smith, and Bonny Boat, Kelly, Baltimore; Etta Day, Dix, Elizabethport; Anna Burton, Frick, Philadeiphia.

Cleared—Ship Nonantum, Pratt, Bombay; brig Lone Star (Br), Kennedy, St John, NB.
Saileu—Barks Greyhound, and Francis Millle; brigs Elsie, and 4 W Goddard.

5th—Arrived, steamship Wm Lawrence, Baltimore.
BALTIMORE, March 4—Arrived, steamer Blackstone, Hallett, Boston via Norfolk; brigs Cheviot (Br), Nelson, Lemerara; Clytle, Dow, New York; broke windlass and jost anchor and chain in the Chesapeake, 2d inst. Torrent, Tibetts, Cardenas; schrs Anna C Leverett, and Ec Slade, Soper, New York; Archer & Reeves, Kean, Providence; Rhodella Blue, Van Gilden, and Marleita Steelman, Steeman, New York.

Cleared—Steamship Austrian (Br), Brown, Livarpool; brig Missasippi (Br), Marchant, Demfrara; schrs Feerless, Paterson, West Indies; Charley Woolsey, Harker, and Daniel Holmes, Bufr. Hoboken.

Sailed—Sid, bark Ardour, for Belfast, Ireland; schr Wm D Daisicy, Nassau; 4th, bark Bessie Rogers, Queenstown; schr Maggie & Gray, for Matanzas; brig Olaf Kyrre, Cork.

BRITGEPORT, March 4—Arrived, schrs Mercer, Wasson, Hoboken.

Sailed—Schr Anson Brown, Mills, New York.

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Batth, March 4—Sailed, schr Central America, Roberts, Cuba.

BEVERLY, March 3—Sailed, echr H Simmons, Godfrey, CHARLESTON, March 5-Arrived, brig D B Dane from, Savannah. EASTPORT, Feb 26-Cleared, schr White Swan, Hinds,

EASTPORT, Feb 25—Cleared, schr White Swan, Hinds, Baltimore.

GEORGETOWN, SC, March 1—Arrived, schr Ridgewood, Derrickson, New York.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb 29—Arrived, ship Palmera (Br), Webb, Newport; bark Trinidad (Sp), Echerita, Havana; brig Juleto (Sp), Abriel, Matanzas; schr Mary B Tower, Cahoon, Port Antonio, Ja.

Cleared—Ship Cordella Ring (Br), Liverpool; bark Josefa, Cleared—Ship Cordella Ring (Br), Liverpool; bark Josefa, Soutriew Rer Pass, Feb 29—Arrived, bark Sunrise (Sp), Rog, Matanzas.

Ship Mount Royal, previously reported outside, sailed this evening for Calcasten. vening for Calcasieu, N.F.WBERN, NG, March 4—Sailed, stemmship Ellen S Ter-y, Salyear, New York, NORFOLK, March 1—Sailed, bark Hilgardt and brig Flory, Salyear, New York,
NOKFOLK, March 1—Sailed, bark Hilgardt and brig Floris, for Queensiown.

NEW BEDFORD, March 2—Arrived, schrs Addis Murchie, Murchie, Pocasset for New York; Herbert Manton, Crowell, Boston for do.

8d—Arrived, schr John Randolph, Parker, Wareham for New York.

4th—Arrived, schrs Alice Scranton, Stewart, Port Johnson; Heien, Boston for Mobile.

NEW PURT, March 3, PM—Arrived, schr Wm H Bowen, Terry, Providence for New York.

Sailed—Schr Hyne, Hall, New York for Boston.

4th, S AM—In port, brig H Means, Matthews, Providence for New York; schrs Elisha T Smith, Baker, for Norfolk; Abbie Willard, Ruch, for New York; Ecc. Rich, for do; Thos P Gooper, Sleeper, for do; Mansfield, Achorn, and James Hoffman, Stropshire, Providence, for do; M. Is Tierre (Br), Haley, for St John, Mr, and the Above arrivals not otherwise reported. Wind Sw. merket, eches D L Stripes, Chase, Warcham; Ellis Amanda, Anderson, and H Walcott, Danigy, New York; Little Charlie, Raynor, Gracuport; Read-

Houg Korg.

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Sacksonville, to load for New York.

Sth—Arrived, steamship Oriental, Boston; bark Ocean
Child, Port Medoc; origi Helen, Baltimore; schr Chas Morford, New York.

Cleared—Stoamship Virgo, Bulkley, New York; schr Ad-

Ciars Bell.
WILMINGTON, NC. March I—Cleared, steamship Panils
Doane, New York: schr W G Dearborn, Scull, dc.
WINTERPORT, Feb 28—Arrived, schr G M Partridge,
Bunker, Baltmore.

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